

Criminal Code Recodification

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Purpose of Title 76 Offense Recodification Project

- This project reorganizes existing offenses into a set framework, which will allow for:
 - Automation for law enforcement and prosecutorial offices
 - Easier data collection
 - Clarity in the law
- The project serves to clean up and clarify existing language
 - Consistency in language helps to provide clarity in the law, including for laypeople

Format of New Structure

The first three subsections are rigidly enforced; the remaining subsections may be altered due to drafting concerns.

- (1): Definitions related to the offense
- (2): Elements of the offense
- (3): Penalties for a violation of the offense
- (4): Limitations/Defenses
- (5) (6, etc.): Additional information related to punishment and other subjects

Completed Recodification

The following chapters in Title 76 have already been recodified. There are no offenses listed in Chapters 1 through 4.

- Chapter 5: Offenses Against the Individual (2022 General Session, S.B. 123 Criminal Code Recodification)
- Chapter 5b: Sexual Exploitation Act (2022 General Session, S.B. 123 Criminal Code Recodification)
- Chapter 6: Offenses Against Property (2023 General Session, H.B. 46 Criminal Code Recodification and Cross References)
- Chapter 6a: Pyramid Scheme Act (2023 General Session, H.B. 46 Criminal Code Recodification and Cross References)